BEWAN OF MYSORE

BEAULIEU,
BANGALORE.

10th July. 22

Capt

My dear Lawrence

I am sorry to have delayed answering your letter of 6th inst. but I was waiting to see Sir Stanley Jackson & wished to have some talk with him before writing to you. I did not succeed in seeing him & I now have to tell you that I have decided to resign my appointment as Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore & to leave India at the end of October next. I have not at all made up my mind as to what I shall do after that, but I have no intention of taking any active part in Indian politics. I will leave India entirely free to manage its own affairs in its own way, & I have no interest whatever in any political party here. I shall not write any book or article on Indian affairs, & I shall not enter Parliament or stand for any constituency. I shall live quietly in the country & shall probably take up some literary work.

I have not yet told H.H. the Maharaja of my decision, but I shall do so very shortly. I am very sorry to leave India, but I have been here for 22 years, & I think that is long enough for any man to remain in exile. I have had a very happy time here, & have many friends, but I feel that I have done my work, & that it is time for me to go. I have had a very interesting life, & I have no complaints to make. I have been very fortunate in many ways, & I have had many opportunities of doing useful work. I hope that I may be able to do some more useful work in the future, but I do not know what it will be. I shall probably go to Europe for a few months, & then I shall return to England & settle down in the country.

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Senior & outside. I don't think it
will offend & am non-official both
either, at this juncture. You
may remember how I did not
like the idea of un-ch[illegible]
being sent away. Not withstanding
he was handled at once before I
took charge. His coming back here
will create complications of one
kind & another. For one thing,
he would demand a meeting
from the other members & quite
in fact, it was this regard for
his church was responsible for
his reversion. He would raise
the question of his precedence over
the present two members.
So, taking all things into consideration
the Committee recommend Lot 6's withdrawal
Lot 6 to withdraw by a unanimous